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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF DENTISTRY

IN THE MATTER OF

Administrative Action

MAHER BAKRI, D.D.S License No. 22DI 02056900

CONSENT ORDER

LICENSED TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry ("Board") upon receipt of information that Maher Bakri, D.D.S. ("respondent"), had been disciplined in March 2000 by the licensing authority for dentistry in the State of New York for professional misconduct. New York State imposed a two year stayed suspension and a two year period of probation and a civil penalty of \$7500 for processing a credit card charge for services not performed on two occasions in 1998. At that time, respondent was also licensed in New Jersey.

On January 2, 2008, respondent appeared without counsel on an application to reinstate his license in this State and testified regarding the conduct underlying the action in New York. Respondent's license was subsequently reinstated.

Having reviewed the entire record, including the testimony of respondent at his appearance, it appears to the Board that respondent was disciplined by a sister state for conduct that would subject him to discipline in this State. These facts establish basis for disciplinary action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(g). It now appears that respondent desires to resolve this matter without recourse to formal proceedings and for good cause shown:

IT IS ON THIS 24th DAY OF October, 2008

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED that respondent is reprimanded for having engaged in the actions detailed above that constituted professional misconduct in the State of New York.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

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Alexander Hall, D.M.D.

President

I have read and understand this Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms. I consent to the entry of this Order.

Maher I Baffer Maher Bakri, D.D.S.

10-18-08

Date